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St. James's, April 23.

A Chapter of the moſt Noble Order of the Garter having been ſummoned to meet this Day, the Knights Companions, with the Officers of the Order hereafter mentioned, all in their Mantles, attended the Sovereign in his own Apartment; and being called over by Garter King of Arms, a Proceſſion was made from thence to the Great Council Chamber, in the following Order:

Earl of Bute.
Earl of Cardigan.
Earl of Lincoln.
Duke of Bedford.
Duke of Leeds.
His Royal Highneſs Prince William.
Black Rod.—The Deputy Regiſter.—Garter.
The Chancellor of the Order.
The SOVEREIGN.

The Sovereign and Knights Companions being ſeated, the Chancellor ſignified to the Chapter, the Sovereign's Pleaſure for filling up the two vacant Stalls.

The Knights Companions then proceeded to Election; and the Suffrages being collected by the Chancellor, and preſented to the Sovereign, his Serene Highneſs the Duke of Mecklenburgh Strelitz was declared duly elected.

Garter and Black Rod were then ſent to introduce the Earl of Halifax, who being knighted by His Majeſty, with the Sword of State, withdrew.

The Chapter then proceeded to the other Election, and the Earl of Halifax was declared duly elected: His Lordſhip was thereupon received at the Door of the Chapter Room by the two junior Knights Companions, and conducted between them to the Sovereign, being preceeded by Garter King of Arms, bearing the Enſigns on a Cuſhion, and Black Rod.

Garter preſenting the Garter to the Sovereign, His Majeſty delivered it to the two Senior Knights, who buckled it upon his Lordſhip's Left Leg, the Chancellor reading the Admonition.

Garter then preſented the Ribbon with the George; and his Lordſhip kneeling down, the Sovereign, with the Aſſiſtance of the two Knights, put it over his Shoulder, the Chancellor in the mean Time pronouncing the Admonition; and having kiſſed His Majeſty's Hand, and ſeverally ſaluted all the Knights preſent, he withdrew.

Garter then calling over the Knights, a Proceſſion was made back to His Majeſty's Cloſet, in the ſame Order it came from thence.

Peterſburg, March 27. The Crew of an Engliſh Ship, which was wreck'd in the Neighbourhood of Cola, having been ill treated by ſome Officers who commanded there, the Empreſs immediately, upon the Firſt Repreſentation made by the Conſul, diſpatched an Officer of the Guards to take Cognizance of the Affair and puniſh the Offenders.

Leghorn, April 6. The 3d Inſtant, in the Afternoon, his Royal Highneſs the Duke of York, arrived here from Florence, attended by Sir William Boothby, Colonel St. John, and Sir Horace Mann: Mr. Dick, the Britiſh Conſul, and the Factory, had the Honour to meet his Royal Highneſs about four Miles from hence, with a Train of about Twenty Coaches. A Detachment of Dragoons was placed to eſcort his Royal Highneſs into the Town, at a ſmall Diſtance from which the Governor waited to receive him; and the Duke was pleaſed to take him into his Coach. On his Approach towards the Ramparts, his Royal Highneſs was ſaluted by three Rounds of twenty-four Cannon; and, on croſſing the Parade, found the whole Garriſon under Arms; and his Royal Highneſs lodging at the Conſul's Houſe, he found there a Guard of a Company of Grenadiers, which he ordered to be diſmiſſed.

The Factory had the Honour to be preſented; and he afterwards received the Governor, accompanied by all the Military and Civil Officers; and, in the Evening, the principal People of both Sexes were preſented to him, and paſſed the Evening there.

The next Morning his Royal Highneſs viſited the Port, the Mole, Lazaretto, &c. and was afterwards pleaſed to permit the Governor, ſome of the firſt People in the Town, and many of the Gentlemen of the Factory, to have the Honour to dine with him. In the Evening there was an Aſſembly at the Governor's.

The next Day his Royal Highneſs accepted of a Hunt in the Wood of St. Roſori, ten Miles from hence, (a Place always reſerved for the Great Duke's own Hunting) where the Governor had prepared a moſt magnificent Entertainment under a large Tent. At the firſt Table there were Fifty Covers, and at another contiguous, Twenty more.

This Day after Dinner his Royal Highneſs ſets out for Piſa; and proceeds from thence To morrow after Dinner for Lucca; and the next Day his Royal Highneſs will return to Florence.

Franckfort, April 10. This Morning the Emperor, accompanied by the King of the Romans, and the Archduke, ſet out for Vienna. His Imperial Majeſty was ſaluted at his Departure, by a Diſcharge of Two Hundred Cannon.

Soon after the Elector of Cologne embarked on Board his Yacht for Bonn. One Hundred and Twenty Five Pieces of Artillery were fired on his ſailing, and the ſame Number on the Departure of the Elector Palatine, who ſet out much about the ſame Time for Manheim.

Bonn, April 12. At Nine laſt Night, the Elector landed here from Franckfort. In his Paſſage on the Mayn and Rhine, his Electoral Highneſs was ſaluted by the Cannon of the Fortreſſes and Towns on thoſe Rivers. His Arrival was announced by a Triple Diſchatge

charge of our Artillery, the Troops lining the Street leading to the Palace, where his Electoral Highneſs was received with the higheſt Acclamations of Joy, by a very numerous Croud of People.

Hamburgh, April 13. Our laſt Letters from Saxony are full of Accounts of the Meaſures taking in that Electorate, to renew the flouriſhing State it was in before the War.

Berlin, April 14. His Pruſſian Majeſty is expected here To-morrow; and, it is ſaid, he will on the 16th give a Publick Audience of Leave to Achmet Effendi, the Turkiſh Internonce at this Court.

M. de Reidt, the Imperial Miniſter at this Court, came laſt Monday from the Bath of Toplitz, where he has been for about three Weeks.

On the 12th Inſtant Prince Lobkowitz, Brother to the Imperial Miniſter at Peterſburg, and Count Schaffgotch, arrived here from Francfort, charged, each, with a Commiſſion, the Firſt, to the Empreſs of Ruſſia, and the Second, to the King of Pruſſia, to notify the Election of a King of the Romans.

Hague, April 17. The Prince of Orange was Yeſterday publickly examined in the Tenets of the Reformed Religion, in order to his Receiving the Communion at Eaſter: His Serene Highneſs gave univerſal Satisfaction to all thoſe who were preſent; and his Knowledge and Preſence of Mind were univerſally admired.

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This Day the Prince of Averſperg, ſent from the Emperor to notify the Coronation of the King of the Romans, had a Private Audience of His Majeſty.

To which he was introduced by the Right Hon. the Earl of Sandwich, one of His Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State, and conducted by Stephen Cottrell, Eſq; Aſſiſtant Maſter of the Ceremonies.

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East India Houſe, April 19, 1764.

The Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the Eaſt Indies do hereby give Notice,

That a General Court of the ſaid Company will be held at Merchant Taylors Hall in Threadneedle-ſtreet, on Wedneſday the 2d Day of May next, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon; on ſpecial Affairs.

Navy-Office, April 7, 1764.

The Principal Officers and Commiſſioners of His Majeſty's Navy give Notice, that on Wedneſday the 23d of next Month, they will be ready to treat with Perſons willing to ſupply His Majeſty's Navy with a Quantity of Hemp, of Britiſh Growth, not exceeding 500 Tons in the Whole, the ſame to be delivered in the Courſe of the Years 1765, and 1766, at ſuch of His Majeſty's Yards as ſhall be agreed upon at the Time of Treaty.

A General Meeting of the Truſtees for Repairing and Amending the Turnpike Roads in the Counties of Surrey and Suſſex, will be held at the Fox and Hounds, at Croydon, on Saturday the 5th of May 1764, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon, to chooſe Truſtees in the Room of thoſe who are dead, removed, or refuſe to act; and upon other Affairs relating to the Truſt.

Roger Peck, *Clerk.*

Navy Office, April 21, 1764.

The Principal Officers and Commiſſioners of His Majeſty's Navy give Notice, that on Thurſday the 10th of next Month, at Ten o'Clock in the Morning, Commiſſioner Rogers will expoſe to Sale in His Majeſty's Yard at Plymouth, Several Lots of Old Stores, conſiſting of Paper Stuff in old Rigging, Junk and Shakings, Rags in old Hammacoes, in Bits and Scrips, in Awnings and Boats Coverings, &c. old Bunting, Ground Toes, and Flyings, damaged and not damaged, &c. lying in the ſaid Yard; where any Perſons willing to be Purchaſers, may have the Liberty of viewing them at any Time in the working Hours of the ſaid Yard, till the Day of Sale.

And as a Depoſit of 25 l. per Cent. or in that Proportion, is to be made by the Purchaſers, all Perſons who ſhall attend the ſaid Sale, are to take Notice thereof, and come prepared for that Purpoſe; and unleſs the ſaid Stores ſo purchaſed ſhall be paid for, and taken away at the End of Forty Days after the Day of Sale, the Depoſit ſhall be forfeited, and become the Property of the Crown.

Printed Inventories may be ſeen in the Clerk of the Acts Office, and at the Commiſſioners Office at Plymouth.

New Shoreham Pier.

This is to give Notice; Whereas a Meeting of the Commiſſioners was advertiſed to be held the 10th Inſtant, at the Houſe of Thomas Hanington, bearing the Sign of the Dolphin in New Shoreham; and a ſufficient Number not appearing, this is therefore Notice, that a Meeting will be held at the ſaid Houſe, on Tueſday the 1ſt of May, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon.

Shoreham, April 19, 1764. Wm. Foſter, *Treaſurer.*

Hand-in-Hand Fire-Office.

The Directors give Notice, that a General Meeting of the Members of the ſaid Society will be held at their Office in Angel Court on Snow Hill, on Thurſday the 10th Day of May next, at Three in the Afternoon.

General Poſt-Office, April 20, 1764.

PUBLIC Notice is hereby given, That by an Act paſſed this laſt Seſſion of Parliament, entitled, An Act for preventing Frauds and Abuſes, in relation to the ſending and receiving of Letters and Packets free from the Duty of Poſtage;

It is Enacted, That from and after the Firſt Day of May next, ſo long as the Revenue of the Poſt-Office ſhall continue to make a Part of the Aggregate Fund, no Letters or Packets ſhall be exempted from Payment of Poſtage, except as follows:

All ſuch as ſhall be ſent from or to The King's moſt Excellent Majeſty.

All Letters and Packets, not exceding the Weight of Two Ounces, ſent from and to any Places within Great Britain or Ireland, during the Sitting of Parliament, or within Forty Days before or after any ſummons or Prorogation, which ſhall be ſigned on the Outſide by any Member of either Houſe of the Parliament of Great Britain, and whereof the whole Superſcription ſhall be of his own Hand Writing, or which ſhall be directed to a Member of either Houſe, at any of the Places of his uſual Reſidence, or at the Place where he ſhall actually be at the Time of the Delivery thereof, or at either Houſe of Parliament.

All Letters and Packets, not exceding the Weight of Two Ounces, ſent from and to any Places within Ireland, during the Sitting of Parliament, or within Forty Days before or after any Summons or Prorogation, which ſhall be ſigned on the Outſide by any Member of either Houſe of the Parliament of Ireland, and whereof the whole Superſcription ſhall be of his own Hand Writing, or which ſhall be directed to a Member of either Houſe, from any Part of Great Britain

Britain or Ireland, at any of the Places of his usual Reſidence, or at the Place where he ſhall actually be at the Time of the Delivery thereof, or at either Houſe of Parliament.

All ſuch Letters and Packets as ſhall be ſent from and to certain Perſons by Virtue of their Offices, under ſuch Conditions, Reſtrictions, and Limitations, as in the ſaid Act is particularly expreſſed.

It is likewiſe Enacted, That all printed Votes, or Proceedings in Parliament, or printed News Papers, ſent without Covers, or in Covers open at the Sides, ſigned on the Outſide thereof, by the Hand of any Member of Parliament, in ſuch Manner as hath been heretofore practiſed; or directed to any Member at any Place whereof he ſhall have given Notice in Writing to the Poſtmaſter-General, or to his Deputy at Edinburgh or Dublin reſpectively, ſhall paſs free of Poſtage.

And alſo, That the Clerks in the Offices of His Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State, and certain Officers in the Office of His Majeſty's Poſtmaſter-General, may continue to Frank ſuch printed Votes, and Proceedings in Parliament, and printed News Papers, in the Manner they have heretofore been accuſtomed, provided they be ſent without Covers, or in Covers open at the Sides.

It is further Enacted, That any Officer employed under the Poſtmaſter-General, ſhall have Power to examine and ſearch any Packet ſent without a Cover, or in a Cover open at the Sides, in Order to diſcover whether any other Paper or Thing whatſoever be incloſed or concealed in or with ſuch printed Votes, Proceedings in Parliament, and printed News Papers; and in Caſe any ſuch other Paper or Thing whatſoever, ſhall be found in or with ſuch printed Paper, or in Caſe there ſhall be any Writing, other than the Superſcription upon ſuch printed Paper, or upon the Cover thereof, the whole of ſuch Packet ſhall be charged with the Duty of Poſtage.

And it is further Enacted, That if any Perſon ſhall, after the Firſt Day of June next, counterfeit the Hand Writing of any Perſon whatſoever in the Superſcription of any Letter, or Packet, to be ſent by the Poſt, in Order thereby to avoid the Payment of the Duty of Poſtage, every Perſon ſo offending, ſhall be deemed Guilty of Felony, and be tranſported for Seven Years.

And whereas many Letters directed to Members, are, in the Hurry of Buſineſs, charged with Poſtage, chiefly for Want of the Words, Member of Parliament, being added to the Superſcription: It is therefore deſired, that all Perſons correſponding with Members, would make that Addition, or diſtinguiſh them by M. P. at the Corner; and in Caſe any Letter or Packet, not exceeding the Weight of Two Ounces, ſhould after every Precaution, happen to be charged, all Poſtmaſters are hereby directed, immediately to remit the Poſtage to ſuch Member, who is deſired to return the Cover, when it can be conveniently done, as a Voucher to the Poſtmaſter, in paſſing of his Accounts with this Office.

And whereas great Numbers of Letters are privately collected and delivered contrary to Law, to the Prejudice of the Revenue of this Office; all Carriers, Coachmen, Watermen, Wherrymen, Diſperſers of News Papers, Higlers, and all other Perſons whatſoever, hereafter detected in the illegal collecting, conveying, or delivering of Letters and Packets, will be proſecuted with the utmoſt Severity. The Penalty is *Five Pounds* for every Letter ſo collected or delivered contrary to Law, and *One Hundred Pounds* for every Week ſuch Practice is continued: One Moiety to His Majeſty, and the other to the Informer.

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WHereas the Partnerſhip between Meſſ. Charles Smith, George Smith Bradſhaw, and John Trotter, which for ſome Years has been carried on at the Upholſtery and Cabinet Warehouſe in Portugal-Street (late Lincoln's Inn Play-houſe) was by mutual Conſent of all Parties, diſſolved on the 1ſt Day of September laſt.

This Notice is therefore given, that the ſaid George Smith Bradſhaw and John Trotter have no longer any Concern in the ſaid joint Buſineſs, but that the ſame is now carried on by the ſaid Charles Smith on his own and ſeparate Account.

Thoſe indebted to the late Partnerſhip, are deſired to pay ſuch Debts to the ſaid Charles Smith; and whoever has any Demands on the ſaid Partnerſhip, by applying to Mr. Smith on the Premiſes, will be paid the ſame.

Cha. Smith.
G. S. Bradſhaw.
John Trotter.

TO be ſold to the beſt Purchaſer or Purchaſers, and for the beſt Price that can be got for the ſame, either entire or in Parcels, on the 23d Day of May next, at Four o'Clock in the Afternoon, at the Houſe of Nicholas Gilbert, being the Maid's Head Inn in the Pariſh of St. Simon and Jude in the City of Norwich, before the major Part of the Commiſſioners named in a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded and iſſued forth againſt John Starr, of the City of Norwich, Beerbrewer, Maltſter, and Chapman, purſuant to an Order made by the Right Honourable Lord Henley, Baron of Grange, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, The real Eſtate of the ſaid Bankrupt, ſituate in the Pariſh of St. Martin, at Palace in the ſaid City, and conſiſting of a convenient Dwelling-houſe and Garden, a Brewing Office and Malting Office, a Publick Houſe called the White Horſe, and ſeveral other Dwelling-houſes and Tenements, the whole being Freehold, of the yearly Value of 93*l.* 10*s.* and in very good Repair. For further Particulars enquire of Mr. De Hague, Attorney at Law, Norwich.

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Whereas